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“Looking Ahead”

First Class

The first class of the Youth Worker Training Center – North Campus participated in graduation ceremonies on November 8, 2002, at Swanson Correctional Center for Youth (SCCY) – Monroe. The class consisted of newly hired cadets for SCCY – Monroe and SCCY - Madison. The class of 18 completed 120 hours of pre-service training; 80 hours of training center topics and another 40 hours facility/job orientation.

The graduates receive certificates, badges, nametags and ACA pins during the ceremony. Assistant Warden Hawkins led the officers in a moving recitation of the Correctional Officers' Oath. Wardens Johnny Scott, Jerry Ward and Hyam Guyton briefly addressed the class and congratulated all on their successful completion of the program. Deputy Assistant Secretary Dora Wheat also spoke and shared the excitement of achievement of a long-term goal of many people who worked at Office of Youth Development.

The new training program is the culmination of dedication efforts of staff of the Office of Youth Development (OYD) and was established with no additional funds, equipment or other resources. Lieutenant Colonel Jackie Hamil leads the OYD training program and his leadership was instrumental in coordinating and operationalizing the program. The input and assistance of Stephen Phillippi and other staff of the LSUHSC – Juvenile Corrections Program was and continues to be a tremendous asset to the training program.

During the next year, OYD expects to open a south campus program at Jetson Correctional Center for Youth.

Meetings Scheduled

The 2003 Departmental Meetings has been scheduled.

January 30th

Allen Correctional Center

February 27th

Working Training Facility/North

March 27th

Swanson Correctional Center for Youth

April 24th

Washington Correctional Center

May 22nd

Phelps Correctional Center

June 26th

Jetson Correctional Center for Youth

July 24th

Avoyelles Correctional Center

August 28th

Louisiana State Penitentiary

September 25th

Bridge City Correctional Center for Youth

October 23rd

Forth Wade Correctional Center

December 4th (November/December Combined)

Dixon Correctional Center

ACA Reaccreditation Audit

America Correctional Association (ACA) Reaccreditation Audit was successfully completed by Probation and Parole – Adult on November 5, 2002.

P& P received 100% of the mandatory standards and 100% of the non-mandatory standards. Please join Secretary Stalder in congratulating Director Powers and her staff in their hard work and dedication

Coffee Anyone

Bridge City Correctional Center for Youth (BCCY) conducted its first ever “Coffee House” on Friday, October 25, 2002, during a school assembly in the gymnasium. The Coffee House was sponsored by the school faculty and staff and involved participation from all youth and all staff at BCCY. It was titled “A Whole Lot of Plucking Going On.”

The Coffee House consisted of soft music, poetry readings, song and dance and featured a special demonstration by the BCCY Youth Drill Team. Several staff member participated in the entertainment portion of the program including Deputy Warden Michael Gaines on trumpet and Mr. Anthony Brown on guitar. Ms. Dorean Phoenix was the emcee of the program. The Coffee House was reminiscent of the 1950’s and 1960’s beatnik style of entertainment.

Annual Christmas Parade

The employee’s at Elayn Hunt Correctional Center are already making plans for the 2002 Holiday Season and invites you to their Annual Christmas Parade. This year’s parade will be held on Sunday, December 8th at 1:00 p.m. The parade

begins in front of the prison and travels a short route through the local community before returning to the front gate area.

First of Its Kind

Jetson Correctional Center for Youth (JCCY) celebrated the graduation of four residents from the I’m Modeling A New Image (IMANI) short-term program on October 23, 2002. This represents the first group of graduates who began the program in July.

The inspirational program features Michael Gaines, Deputy Warden of Bridge City Correctional Center, as the keynote speaker. Ms. Ari Ellerbe sang a solo accompanied by the JCCY Gospel Choir. Mr. Ernest Dennis, Director of Classification at Louisiana Correctional Institute for Women, offered words of encouragement.

The high point of the festivities was a poem about incarceration penned and presented by one of the IMANI graduates. She returned to JCCY to participate in the ceremony. Her poem about incarceration was a poignant reflection of the freedom she currently savors.



Back by Popular Demand

Secretary Richard L. Stalder, will be inducted in the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame Museum at the next annual Induction Ceremonies on January 25, 2003. The Louisiana Political Hall of Fame Museum is a non-profit statewide museum devoted to the preservation and promotion of Louisiana’s unique political culture and heritage.

The function will open to the public at 7:00 p.m., for an informal banquet and will be held in the nearby Louisiana Forestry Pavilion, on the site of the Louisiana Forestry Festival.

Only a few tickets are available and can be purchased through the museum at 318.628-5928.

Certified Corrections Professionals

As a result of the recent certification exams at the Elayn Hunt Correctional Center, forty-nine (49) employees of the Department have joined the national ranks of certified correctional professionals.

Allen Correctional Center (ALC)

Erick Scott, CCO

Avoyelles Correctional Center (AVC)

Anthony Corner, CCS

Sidney B. Fisher, CCM

Elayn Hunt Correctional Center (HCC)

Chassidy M. Adams, CCO

Byron Brown, CCO

Dennis R. Cooks, CCO

George H. Dalton, CCO

Janet E. Guedry, CCO

Troy E. Mayer, CCS

John Leo McGovern, III, CCM

Harold E. Millican, Sr., CCO

Chrissy M. Popularas, CCO

Henry E. Sander, Jr., PH.D, CCM

Josh P. Smith, CCO

Dwayne Speadale, CCS

Patricia L. Thibodeaux, CCO

Angela M. Whittaker, CCM

Danny R. Williams, CCM

Brandy G. Williamson, CCO

Randy Zimmerman, CCO

Jetson Correctional Center for Youth (JCCY)

Leon W. Spear, CCO

Louisiana Correctional Institute for Women (LCIW)

Cheryl Butler, CCO

Zenora Dunbar, CCO

Janet Greenhouse, CCO

Orville P. Lamartinier, Jr., CCS

Louisiana State Penitentiary (LSP)

Danridge L. Brooks, CCO

C.Paul Phelps Correctional Center (PCC)

Billy J. Allen, CCO

Kenneth M. Coleman, CCS

Roy Davis, CCO

C.Paul Phelps Correctional Center (PCC) continued

Sachincko B. Hickman, CCO

Keith Lopez, CCO

Kenneth J. Naquin, CCO

Melissa Perkins, CCO

Debbie S. Smith, CCO

Eddie Wellman, CCO

Gerry H. Williams, CCS

Swanson Correctional Center for Youth (SCCY)

Wesley E. Williams, CCO

Washington Correctional Institute (WCI)

Rhona Augustine DiStefano, CCO

Johnny Johnson, CCO

Chris Ladner, CCO

Shane E. Ladner, CCO

Kevin Luper, CCO

Marvin Lynn McCloud, CCM

John Lester Mitchell, CCS

James E. Mohon, CCO

Patrick Bruce Penton, CCO

Glen Samuels, CCO

Earnestine Smith, CCO

Division of Probation and Parole (P&P)

Michael D. Wynne, CCS

The next examination is scheduled for Saturday, March 15, 2003, at Dixon Correctional Institute (DCI).

Director John J. Greene III, of the Professional Development Department send a personal thank you to Mr. Stalder for his continued support of the certification program and for allowing them to conduct the exam at Elayn Hunt Correctional Center.

His thanks also go out to Warden C.M. Lensing and the entire staff of HCC and a special thank you to Charlene Haydel, CMM for her help and professionalism in assuring that the test went smoothly and for assisting in rescheduling the examination due to the hurricane

A Special Thank You

Chief of Police Pat Englade send a personal thanks to each of the following officers for assistance during the Southern University Homecoming Parade on October 12, 2002.

Sergeant T. Averett	Sergeant D. Carrol
Sergeant C. Boudeaux	Sergeant N. Davis
Sergeant L. Freeman	Sergeant J. Jarrell
Sergeant H. Pidgeon	Sergeant H. Holden
Sergeant K. Robinson	Sergeant R. Sanders
Master Sergeant W. Johnson	
Lieutenant D. Brooks	Captain W. Jarrell
Captain T. Kilbourne	Captain J. Tubbs
Major R. Deville	Major J. Johnson
Major P. Payne	Major D. Spedale
Lieutenant Colonel D. Bordelon	

Chief Englade stated, "The coordination and cooperation of the law enforcement agencies involved was exemplary. I believe our combined efforts provided a safe environment, thereby, contributing to the enjoyment of those citizens in attendance." Assistant Secretary of Adult Services Johnny Creed writes, "Thanks to each of you for once again reflecting the professionalism that Secretary Stalder and I know make this Department as great as it is. Because of staff like you we will continue to be recognized by other agencies as a true partner. I'm not sure I could ever put in words how much we appreciate each of you."

Tis' the Season

Governor M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr., has issued proclamations to make the following days legal holidays:

December 26, 2002
January 2, 2002

Employee's Recognition

Elayn Hunt Correctional Center (EHCC), Washington Correctional Institute (WCI), Jetson Correctional Center for Youth (JCCY), and Swanson Correctional Center for Youth (SCCY) at Monroe recognized the following employees for September Third Quarter and Monthly Awards:

EHCC

Rachel Ruiz – Support
Lieutenant Roland Robert - Supervisor
Master Sergeant Jeffery Osborne - Security Officer

WCI

Master Sergeant Charles Freeman – Security Officer

JCCY

Melvin Bazile – Support
Micahel Garner – Supervisor
Cadet Martine Duncan – Security Officer

Quarterly Recognition

Recipients of David Wade Correctional Center Third Quarter Employee Awards were:

DWCC

Brenda Acklin – Support
Louis Christian – Supervisor
Sergeant Jeremy Wallace – Security Officer

Happy Holidays

